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1. The petition filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted. The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.

2. The petition filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is dismissed.

a) The requisite petition fee of \$_____ has not been received.

b) Other :

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3. The amendment filed on 24 November 1999 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) entered.

b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) disapproved. See explanation below.

d) entered in part. See explanation below.

The formal drawings submitted on 10/18/99 have been approved by the draftsman. The addition of figures 5 and 5C requires changes be made to the specification. The following changes to the specification have been made by the examiner. On page 11 line 14 and on page 50 line 14 "5A and 5B" has been changed to --5 to 5C--. On page 51 line 1, page 56 line 30, and page 57 line 10 "5A and 5B" has been changed to --5A to 5C--. On page 59 line 8 "5A, 5B" has been changed to --5A to 5C--.



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